### SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES.

TUESDAY, JANUARY II, 1859.

Mr. Justice McLean appeared and took his seat to-day.

John Wilson, eaq., of Hilnois, was admitted an attorney and counsellor of this court.

No. 41. Paul Dillingham, plaintiff in error, w. Lucius G. Fisher. In error to the supreme court of the State of Wisconsin. The matters in controversy in this cause having been agreed and settled between the parties, it was, on motion of Mr. Reverdy Johnson, of counsel for the plaintiff in error, ordered that this writ of error be dismissed, each party paying his own costs.

No. 37. Leslie Combs, appellant, vs. Andrew Hodge's administrator d al. The argument of this cause was commenced by Mr. Baxter for the appellant, and continued by Mssrs. Reverdy Johnson and Reverdy Johnson, jr., for the appellees.

or the appellees.

Adjourned until to morrow at 11 o'clock.

# COURT OF CLAIMS.

TUBSDAY, JANUARY 11, 1859.

Mr. Risque resumed and concluded his argument in the case of Lydia R. Shreeve and another vs. The United

The court at 3 o'clock adjourned to 12 o'clock to-mor

### PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

Mary Margaret, Countess of Wilton, died at Edgerton odge, Melton Mowbray, in England, on the 16th of Deember, 1858, in the 58th year of her age.

John Marr, of Mechanicsville, has been arrested at Troy, N. Y., charged with an extensive robbery of the mails at the post office of that place.

The Mobile Register announces the death of Charles Fisher, the Picayune's first private correspondent, a pop-ular and pleasing writer.

Hon. Sherrard Clemens, of Virginia, Colonet Alexander, and Colonel H. L. Scott, United States army, are at Willards' Hotel. Mr. T. P. Rossiter and M. Migne, of this city, have

nearly finished a large picture of Lafayette at Mount Ver-non. The landscape is by M. Mignot, and the figure composition by Mr. Rossiter. Mr. James Thorne, who, for the past thirty years, has

held the position of boarding-officer of the United States revenue barge office, at New York, died at his residence, in Brooklyn, on Friday evening, of disease of the heart. With one exception, he was the only gentleman in the department who had retained his position during so many administrations, proving conclusively his great worth and

Piccolomini, like other travelling singers and musicians of reputation, has an album containing the signatures of the various distinguished people with whom she has become acquainted. During her recent stay in Boston the names of Longfellow, Emerson, Prescott, Lowell, and others have been added to the list; and Mr. Everett has received a stay in the consequence of the content of ritten an Italian poem, and inserted on the opposite age a photograph of his bust.

Mr. John Burton died at East Barkwith, Idneolnshire, on the 2d inst. He was born on the 25th of June, 1760, and thus lived in the reigns of Georges II, III, IV, William IV, and Victoria. For seventy-five years he was tenant of the glebe farm under six successive rectors of East Barkwith. He was a man of remarkable strength and industry, being known even after he was an old. and industry, being known, even after he was an old man, to work in the fields all day, and remain up nearly all night thrashing corn for the market. When more than ninety-six years of age he would walk to church and ance of nearly three miles; and less than two years ago he took the plough and ploughed for about two hours. His hair was black at the time of his decease, and his eyesight was so good that he could read small print, in church always following the service and joining in the responses with great precision.

## [London paper, Dec. 11.

NAVAL INTELLIGENCE. Preparations are being made at the Boston navy-yard to receive the United States steam frigate Minnesota, now daily expected home from the East Indies.

Lieut. J. Howard March, of the United States navy, died on board the storeship Relief on the 21st of Decem-ber last, while the vessel was on her passage from As-pinwall to New York. His remains were brought to New York.

The Philadelphians are petitioning Congress for an enlargement of the mavy-yard in their city. The yard is now but sixteen acres in extent, while the one at Brooklyn is 119 acres, the one at Norfolk eighty acres, and the ston vard about the same

It is the Constellation that is still in the dry dock at he navy-yard, and not the Constitution, as stated a few lays since, the latter vessel having arrived at Ports-acuth in June, 1856, and after being thoroughly over-suled is now at that yard ready for a call.

A correspondent of the London News, writing from Naples, says: The American frigate Wabash, instead of taking in supplies at Messina and proceeding to Naples, as had been expected, went direct to Spezzia, where the Americans seem still to have un pied a terre, if I may so speak, of a naval station. Hence she is expected in Naples come time in January.

It may be of interest to many persons to mention that a bag for the reception of letters addressed to the officers and men attached to the Paraguay squadron will be kept at the office of W. W. De Forest & Co., 82 South street, New York. All letters transmitted to their care (not that of individual members of the house) will be promptarded to the La Plata by the first vessels leaving

The Secretary of the Navy has issued General Orders in respect to the memory of Gen. Henderson, directing the flags at the several naval stations and of all vessels in commission for sea service to be hoisted at half-must, and thirteen minute guns fired at meridian of the day after the receipt of the order. Officers of the navy and marine corps will wear crape on their left arm for thirty days.

It is stated that instructions will be immediately transmitted to the commander of the sloop-of-war Brooklyn, that she may leave for the Gulf on the 15th inst. The St. Louis will also be sent to the Gulf instead of the Afriin coast, as stated by some New York papers. We may id that it is understood that the steamship Allegany ill be sent out shortly as the flag-ship of the squadron of the coast of Africa.

Hoosac Tenner.—The work of excavation centinues to progress favorably at both ends of the tunnel. At the east end the rock is unusually dry, and becomes more dry as the work progresses. The rock has become more uniform, softer, and more free from small veins of quartz uniform, softer, and more free from small veins of quartz than it was near the entrance. At the west end the talcose slate is separated by a few hundred feet of limestone, which is not solid, but intersected by seams filled with earth and gravel, through which the water percolates freely. In drilling, the water is a decided advantage. Mr. Haupt, the contracter, proposes to make use of compressed air as a motive power in drilling. This power is evidently far superior to steam, and is employed in the excavation of the great Alpine tunnel, and also in certain mining operations in California. Mr. Haupt, in speaking of the drilling machine which he intends to use, says:

"The slowest progress of the machine when working will The slowest progress of the machine when working will be fifteen inches per hour; the fastest, twenty-four inches. A machine at each end, working but half the time, with the slowest feed should go through the menutain in twenty-six months." The contractors have been obliged to make an expenditure of pearly \$400,000 from their own credit and resources in order to secure the first instalment of the two million loan.

A Wise Provision.—Wisconsin has set apart the pro-ceds of the swamp lands which were by act of Congress edsd to that State as a fund for normal instruction. The and will, it is said, shortly reach \$25,000.

appropriate money except to carry out existing law, and no amendment, under the rules of the House, was in order which was founded on any other principle.

Mr. BOCOCK contended that it was limited to appropriate money for specific purposes, but the amount which the Committee of Supply in the British Parliament made was left to their discretion, and he said the Committee of Ways and Means, as they all knew did not confine themselves—he did not allude to the present committee, and did not have reference to any member of the House—within the estimates. He disclaimed that the Committee on Naval Affairs desired to have the bill referred to them for the purpose of adding an amendment for the construction of sloops-of-war. If they had desired their construction, they could very cashly have reported a bill and brought it before the House.

Mr. SHERMAN, of Ohio, obtained the floor; and then,

On motion of Mr. GROW, of Pennsylvania, the House adjourned.

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opportunities to join their several regiments.

The following assignments to duty have been ordered by the Secretary of War: Major David Hunter, now at St. Louis, to return to Fort Leavenworth, on being relieved from his present duties; Major L. J. Beale, now at San Antonio, Texas, to proceed via Washington, D. C., to St. Louis to assume the duties of his department at that point; Major James Longstreet to take post temporarily at Fort Leavenworth; Major C. Graham, topographical engineer, is assigned to duty in the department of Texas, to report to the commandant of that department with as little delay as possible. Instead of proceeding to the headquarters of the department of Oregon, as directed by special order No. 143, of October 8, 1858, Brevet 2d Lieut. W. H. Echols, topographical engineers, will report for duty to the commandant of the department of Texas on or before the 15th proximo.

# NEWS BY TELEGRAPH.

Senatorial Election.

PORTLAND, Jan. 11.—Hon. Wm. P. Fessenden was fo-day re-elected as United States senator at Augusta. The vote in the house to-day stood: for Fessenden, 93; Smart, 42. In the senate: for Fessenden, 29; Massachusetts Senator.

Boston, Jan. 11.—In the State senate to-day General Wilson received 35 votes for United States senator : scat-

Another Slave Trial. Accusta, Jan. 11.—A private despatch from Charles-ton says that the cases of the crew Ketch Brothers, charged with slave trading, were up in the district court to.day. The grand jury ignored the bills.

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Hopeless Iliness of a Naval Surgeon Nonfolk, Jan. 11.—Dr. Thomas Williamson, nearly at the head of the list of naval surgeons, has been attacked with apoplexy. He is not yet dead, but no hopes are en-tertained for his recovery.

### Financial.

New York, Jan. 11.—Stocks are lower generally—Chicago and Rock Island, 59‡; Illinois Central Shares, 71‡; La Crosse and Milwaukle, I; Michigan Southern, 24‡; New York Central, 85‡; Reading, 54; Milwaukle and Mississippi. 13‡; Missouri 6's, 86‡.

Markets. NEW YORK, Jan. 11.-Cotton is depressed-sales of New York, Jan. 11.—Cotton is depressed—sales of 600 bales. Flour is higher—sales of 15,000 bbls.; State, \$1 50 a \$4 75; Ohio, \$5 60 a \$5 90; southern, \$5 20 a \$5 59. Wheat is buoyant—sales of 18,000 bushels; southern white, \$1 25 a \$1 48; Kentucky, \$1 55; western red, \$1 22 a \$1 25. Corn is higher—sales of 15,000 bushels; mixed, \$2 cents; new yellow, 80 cents. Pork is firm—old mess, \$16 75 a \$16 87. Lard is quiet and unchanged. Whiskey is quiet at 264 cents. Sogar is steady—Orleans, 7 a 74 cents. Spirits of turpentine is dull at 49 a 50 cents. Rosin is buoyant at \$1 72 a \$1 75. Rice is quiet.

THE AMERICAN TRACT SOCIETY .- The receipts of this The American Tract Society.—The receipts of this society for the nine months ending December 31 are \$7,000 more than during the same period of the previous year, and this in the face of the determined hostility of the abolition fragment that separated from it. In fact, there is more sound than substance in abolition gasconade. It is liberal of universal philanthropy as far as words are concerned; but when it comes down to cash contributions it is as conservative as any "dough face" in the land.

ARTESIAN WELL. -Mr. Petersou, who took the contract to bore an Artesian well in the rear of the Capitol for the pripose of supplying the public buildings with water, has bored some three hundred and twenty feet. He averages about a foot and a half a day. He is working with steam. He loses a day and a half in each week in repairing his tools.—Austin (Texas) Gasette.

The Winter Iron Works, Montgomery, Alabama, were sold in that city on Monday last for thirty thousand and fifty dollars. Thomas H. Watts, esq., made the purchase on behalf of the creditors of the concern. After the machinery is disposed of, the Advertiser understands that the building will be used for warehouse purposes.

Owing to the open weather, oysters are remarkably abundant and cheap at Philadelphia. The North American says the "finest extra coves—big, fat fellows, about the size and shape of a Dutch baby's foot—are selling at \$10 a thousand. Cove plants are bringing but \$5 75, about half the price customary during the present month, while cullings are selling at \$1 75 per thousand.

cised that power. By sickness of members un, on the 23d ult governor dissolved the legislature, coupling with it a proclamation calling an extra session on the 27th.

A clergyman in Massachusetts, named Smith. lately requested to vacate his pulpit by his congregation, they assigning, among other causes of dissatisfaction, that he was not cordial enough to the ladies! Poor Smith! Various charges have been made against him within our remembrance, but we never before heard it intimated that he failed in attention to the ladies. The feminines of the Shawmut church must be awfully ugly.

A new Guano Company, under the title of "The United States Guano Company, there the of "The Uni-ted States Guano Company," has just been organized under the law of the State of New York. Mr. Egbert Benson is president of the company, and Mr. N. B. La-baugh vice president. The islands of the company are in the Pacific ocean, the principal one being Howland's island. The company are in negotiation for a ship to proceed at once to Hewland's island for a load of guano.

# UNITED STATES PATENT OFFICE,

ON THE PETITION of Stephen R. Parkhurst, of New York, praying for the extension of a patent granted to him on the 1st of May, 1845, for an improvement in "Cotton and Wool time," for seven years from the expiration of said patent, which takes place on the 1st day of May, 1899—

B is ordered that the said petition be heard at the Patent Office on Monday, the 1th of May heat, at 12 o'clock, m.; and all persons are notified to appear and show coace, if any they have, why said petition ought not to be granted.

Persons opposing the extension are required to file in the Patent Office their objections, specially set forth in writing, at least twenty days before the day of hearing. All testimony tide by either party to be used at the said hearing must be taken and transmitted in accordance with the rules of the office, which will be furnished on application.

P. S.—Editors of the above papers will please copy, and send their bills to the Patent Office, with a paper containing this notice.

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UNITED STATES PATENT OFFICE,
Washington, January 10, 1859.
ON THE PETITION of Evastus B. Bigelow, of Boston, Mass., person for for extension of a patent granted to him on the 10th April 1845, for an improvement in "Power Looms for Weaving Plaists," acfor seven years from the expiration of said patent, which takes place
on the 10th day of April, 1859.

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for seven year a from the experience of such as the patent Office on the 10th day of April, 1852.

R is ordered that the said petition be heard at the patent Office on Monday, the 21th March next, at 12 o'clock, m.; and all persons are notified to appear and show cause, if any they have, why said petition ought not to be granted.

Persons opposing the extension are required to file in the Patent Office they objection, specially act forth in writing, at least twenty days before the day of hearing; all testimony filed by either party to be used at the said hearing; all testimony filed by either party to be used at the said tearing unust be taken and transmitted in accordance with the rules of the office, which will be formished on application.

The testimony in the case will be closed on the 7th of March; depositions, and other papers will opin as testimony, must be filed in the office of the office of the uncertainty of the arguments if any, within ten days thereafter.

Griderest, also, that this notice be published in the Union, Washington, D. G., and Post, Rostin, once a week for three weeks, the lirst of said publications to be at least sixty days before the 21st of March next, the day of hearing.

JOSEPH HOLY,
Commissioner of Patents.

### CITY INTELLIGENCE.

THE AGRICULTURAL BOARD. The Advisory Board of Agriculture of the Patent Office

sembled at 10 o'clock yesterday morning, pursuant to

The various divisional committees made their final re-

Resolutions of various kinds were offered; among other Resolutions of various kinds were offered; among others one to be appended to the report of the special committee adopted on yesterday, giving it as the opinion of that committee that the printing of the agricultural reports should be exclusively under the control of the Department of the Interior; which was unanimously agreed to Mr. BYINGTON, of Iowa, offered the following resolution which was adopted:

which was adopted:

Resolved, That the practical efficiency of the agricultural division of the Patent Office would in some degree be promoted, first, by confiding to it the distribution of a greater relative proportion of its annual volume of reports to its agricultural correspondents; second, by the more general circulation of specific directions as to the manner of planting and cultivating plants which are entirely or partially new to our husbandry; and, third, by incorporating into this publication synoptical sketches of the most important essays and experiments emanating from the State, district, and county agricultural schools and associations throughout the Union.

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Quite an extended discussion took place in regard to the culture of the grape in this country, in which Messrs. THOMSON of Delaware, Case of Illinois, WILDER of Massachusetts, and others participated.

At 12½ o'clock the Board waited upon the Secretary of

the Interior.

The Pressurer of the Board addressed the honorable secretary as follows:

MR. SECRETARY: I have the honor to inform you that the Advisory Board of Agriculture of the Patent Office, which was convened under your sanction, are about to close their deliberations; and that we could not think of leaving the department without tendering to you person ally our sincere thanks and our grateful acknowledgment ally our sincere thanks and our grateful acknowledgments for your hospitality, courtesy, and attention to us while we have been residing in this city. We have passed upon quite a variety of questions, the record of which will be desposited with the Commissioner of Patents, to whose office we shall proceed from here.

And now, before we leave, we beg to take you by the hand, and wish you long life, health, and happiness.

To which the Hon. SECRETARY responded as follows :

Before parting with you, Mr. President and gentlemen, I have to express my thanks for your compliance with our invitation. What we have done is an experiment. Our object has been to gather together all the information possible which may throw light upon the great subject of agriculture. We believed that you could slid us by the contribution of facts. When you shall have given us these, we propose to collate and digest them, and to present the results to the country. For your co-operation thus far I thank you, and I know the country will thank you; for I am sure that much good will result from your deliberations.

I trust, gentlemen, that, in returning to your homes, you may find your families as you left them, in the enjoyment of health and happiness.

I now bid you good-bye, hoping to have the pleasure of meeting you again at some future day. Before parting with you, Mr. President and gentlemer

of meeting you again at some future day. After individually taking leave of the honorable Sec retary, the Board then proceeded to the room of the Commissioner of Patents.

The PRESIDENT of the Board addressed the honorable Commissioner as follows:

Mr. Commissioner, in behalf of the body of agriculturists who have been convened by your kind invitation, it becomes my duty to inform you that their present session is about to be closed, and the Board to be dissolved. The divisionary committees have examined in detail the schedule of interrogatories submitted to them from time to time. They have engined the serious detail the schedule of interrogatories submitted to them from time to time. They have analyzed the various questions, and have made alterations and additions such as, in their judgment, would be likely to aid in the objects for which we have been called together. We have passed upon more than fifteen hundred interrogatories, a report of which, together with a copy of the proceedings of the Board, and a synopsis of its action and discussions, will be submitted to you for your consideration. And now, Mr. Commissioner, with expressions of sincere desire for your welfare, we must respectfully bid you adieu.

To which the Commissioner responded as follows Mr. President and Gentlemen: The statement which has just been made, in regard to the labors in which you have been engaged. I have heard with the greatest satis-faction. I am sure that you will all receive, what you have so well deserved, the thanks of the whole country, have so well deserved, the thanks of the whole country, as you certainly have mine, for the promptitude with which you responded to the invitation from this office, and for the earnestness and zeal with which you have entered upon the duties assigned to you. I cannot, however, too deeply impress upon your minds our conviction that in point of fact your labors are but began, and our trust that upon returning to your respective homes you will still pursue them and give us the result at the earliest moment practicable. It is our confident expectation that these results will tell upon the pages of the forthcoming agricultural report of this office in such a manner as to challenge the respect, if not the admiration, of the pub-

the size and shape of a Dutch baby's foot—are selling at \$10 a thousand. Cove plants are bringing but \$5.75, about half the price customary during the present month, while cullings are selling at \$1.75 per thousand.

A clause in the constitution of Arkansas gives the governor of that State the power to dissolve the legislature in certain contingencies. The governor has just exercised that power. By sickness of members the two houses were left without a quorum, on the 23d uit. The to arouse themselves to a sense of their actual condition, and to a just estimate of the devoted mission with which they are charged. A pursuit which has given to the world a Cincinuattus, a Tell, and a Washington may well stand unabashed in every earthly presence. Uncounted millions, gentlemen, have been expended in building up and maintaining a gigantic system of manufacture, in entarging the area of our commerce and in coarsing it. and maintaining a gigantic system of manufacture, in enlarging the area of our commerce, and in guarding it
allke from the perils of the deep and the perils of the
foreign foe. And yet we do all know that commerce and
manufactures, in their very best estate, are but outpouring streams from the great fountain of agriculture—afountain which is the nursery, too, of all those virtues
upon which this republic rests as its only sure foundation, and without which, it may be safely affirmed, it
could not exist a single day or a single hour—a fountain
without whose vivifying and fertilizing influences every
other domain of human labor and enterprise would wither
away, and become as waste and acid as the deserts of Sahara; and yet, strange to tell, this noble pursuit, which hara; and yet, strange to tell, this noble pursuit, which had its origin in the very bowers of Paradise, and which, in all ages and in all lands, has commanded—what it so richly deserved—the profound homage of mankind, is in our own favored country far, confessedly far, behind those other great pursuits which engage the efforts and solicitudes of the public toil.

The reason is that we tread too indolently, too sla-

vishly, in the paths in which our fathers walked. The ploughman has permitted the steamer to career along the rivers, and the locomotive to dash even across his fields, without catching that irrepressible spirit of progress of which they are at once the tokens and the triumphs. Hence it is that the slovenly, reckless, impoverishing, and wasting system of tillage which belonged to the olden times still lamentably prevails. And hence it is that the farmers of our country, unlike those beyond the Atlantic, continue still rather to abuse than use our mother carth, approaching her bosom, not gently, kindly, caressingly, but like some rough unskilful surgeon, cutting and slashing with their instruments, and extracting from the bosom, thus mangled, rather the blood, the loss of which

ing with their instruments, and extracting from that bosom, thus mangled, rather the blood, the loss of which wastes life, than the milk, that nutures and sustains it.

The manifest remedy for all this is in the collection and the rapid and broad diffusion of practical, accurate, and scientific information in reference to the soils and the agricultural processes and products of our country, in giving to this information the most popular and attractive form possible, and in pressing it home upon the thoughts and sympathies of the farming clauses throughout the nation; and I must say that I know of no more efficient or honorable instrumentality for that great work than the board which I have now the honor of addressing; and when that work shall have been accomplished, and that information thus spread abroad, pondered upon, and appreciated properly, then I doubt not our farmers, like the tillers of the soil elsewhere, will resolve that not a furrow shall cross their fields, and not a seed enter that furrow, but under the guidance of those lights of science which, in this age of inquiry and intelligence, are everywhere leading the footsteps of every human enterprise. When that resolution shall have been taken and maintained, and not until then, can we expect to see here what the traveller in the Old World beholds—fields which have been cultivated more than two thousand consecutive years, and yet to day are groaning beneath the weight of crops, surpassing even those which are borne upon the richest alluvial soils that border the great rivers of your south and west.

I will not further detain you, but to simply express to

you my complete and abounding sympathy with this and every other movement which looks to the advancement and the elevation of agriculture. And I may be allowed to give to this expression the more emphasis, since in other years it was my own fortune to be, not a theoretic, but a practical tiller of the soil; and there floats not, sure I am, there can never float down to me from the wastes of the past memories more steeped in the very fragrance of life than those associated with the green fields and breathing bloom of the flower gardens of my native land.

After individually taking leave of the honorable Commissioner, the Board returned to its session-room. After the consideration of some closing proceedings, The Board adjourned sine die.

UNITED STATES AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY.

The Seventh Annual Meeting of this National Body will commence this morning, at 10 e'clock, at the Smith-sonian Institution. Delegates had arrived in the city last night from several of the most influential State Socleties, and the deliberations of the Agricultural Congress
thus formed can but prove very interesting. An invitation has been extended to all gentlemen now in this city who are interested in the welfare of American Agriculture, who would promote a more cordial spirit of intercourse between the different sections of our country, and who would elevate this most important pursuit to a posl-

tion of greater usefulness and honor.

To-day's session will be opened by the customary annual address from the President of the Society, General

Tench Tilghman, of Maryland.

The Medals awarded at the Sixth Annual Exhibition at Richmond will then be delivered. There are nearly three hundred, just from the United States Mint at Philadelphia, and nearly concerned by Me States Mint at Philadelphia, and provide manyland provided by the States Mint at Philadelphia, and positive concerned by Me States Mint at Philadelphia, and positive concerned by Me States Mint at Philadelphia, and positive concerned by Me States Mint at Philadelphia, and positive concerned by Me States Mint at Philadelphia, and positive concerned by Me States Mint at Philadelphia, and positive concerned by Me States Mint at Philadelphia, and positive concerned by Me States Mint at Philadelphia and Me States Mint at Phil adelphia, and neatly engraved by Mr. Dempsey of this city. The Grand Gold Medal of Honor, awarded to Mr. P. Rahm, of Richmond, Va., for the best Locomotive Steam Engine for Farm Use, is nearly twice the size of M Da the Grand Medals awarded at the French Exposition by

the Emperor Napoleon.

Agricultural Education, and its claim upon government, is the topic for the morning's discussion, and it is expected that gentlemen known to have paid great attention

to the subject will participate in the debate.

In the evening there will be a lecture delivered before the society and the public, in the lecture-room of the Smithsonian Institution, (commencing at 7 o'clock.) by Hon. T. G. Clemson, of Maryland. His subject will be Nitrogen," and his treatment of it will doubtless inter-the nublic generally, as well as the agriculturists.

In the evening there will be a lecture delivered before the Mrs Linn, Maryland Mrs Barr Mrs Ba the popular yet instructive style for which Mr. Clemson is so justly famed.

WASHINGTON CITY ORPHAN ASYLUMS.—The following reamble and resolution, offered by Alderman Dove in the Board of Aldermen on Monday night last, passed without a dissenting voice :

Whereas the Congress of the United States, by an act passed by that body, did cause to be conveyed, for the benefit of the Washington City Orphan Asylum and St. Vincent's Orphan Asylum, certain lots of ground in this

Vincent's Orphan Asylum, certain lots of ground in this city, to be exempt from taxation for five years from the passage of said act: therefore, be it Resolved. That the lots held in trust for the benefit of the Washington City Orphan Asylum and Saint Vincent's Orphan Asylum and Saint Vincent's Orphan Asylum, which were given by Congress as a donation to said institutions, are hereby exempt from any taxes which may be now due or which may hereafter fall due, so long as they may have been held, or continue to be held, in trust for said institutions, and no longer.

The Weather yesterday was decided.

one could deny that it was appropriate to the season. There was an "eager and a nipping air," which imparted a rubicund tint to the nasal organs of pedestrians, and more than one heedlessly changed a perpendicular deportment for a sliding scale, by no means graceful, yet amusing to lookers-on. The river, canal, and creeks are frozen over, stopping navigation, and skating-parties had a jolly time of it. The ice-crop is being harvested, and the carts loaded with the transparent basis of cooling beverages are the only objects suggestive of a more ge nial temperature hereafter.

THE VILLAGE BLACKSMITH, as reproduced by the engraer's art, is alone worth the price of a ticket in the Cosmopolitan Art Association, but the following Washington subscribers were fortunate enough to receive additional art-treasures-viz : Wm. J. S. Sessford, View on the Delaware : Miss Anna Weeden, View in Essex county, N. J.; C. W. Boteler, Architectural; J. R. Hamilton, U. S. navy, Marine View; G. J. Bagley, Marine View Miss M. A. Milburn, View near Genoa; F. H. Brooke and Thomas Francis each a Darley outline.

hall will doubtless be crowded on Monday next, when the death of Hon. Thomas L. Harris, late member of the House of Representatives from Illinois, will be announced in Congress, at which time it is expected that his successor. Mr. Hodges, will arrive, and take his seat.

their numerous admirers this week, and merit the warmth with which they are received, although the weather is cold out of doors. They are well supported, and the Theatre is a most agreeable lounging place.

SHILLINGTON, who is the arch-purveyor of everything new in the shape of periodical literature, has received the Curisman Illustrated London News, which is a gem, and is just the thing to send by mail to a friend at a distance as

THE REPORTERS, bona fide, who have been for some year past crowded from their scats in the gallery of the Old Senate Chamber by amateur quill-drivers, are delighted with the new regulations proposed by Senator Pearce.

## OFFICIAL.

James Buchanan, President of the United States of America, to all whose if may concern:
Satisfactory evidence having been exhibited to me that D. Guineppe

Anfora has been appointed consultaneously of the kingdom of the Two Sicilies for the United States, to reside at New York, I do hereby Sicilies for the United States, to reside at New York, I do hereby recognise him as such, and declare him free to exercise and enjoy such functions, powers, and privileges as are allowed to the consule general of the most favored nations in the United States. In testimony whereof, I have caused those letters to be made patent, and the seal of the United States to be hereunto-affixed. Given under my hand, at the city of Washington, the 10th day of [t. s.] January, A. D. 1559, and of the independence of the United States of America the eighty third.

JAMES BUCHANAN.

WHY LONGER SUFFER?-Those who are so fortunate as to have escaped dyspepsia, and its attendant evils, can hardly conceive the suffering that these diseases cause. The wonder is, that the afflicted continue to suffer, when that infallible remedy, the Oxygenated Bitters, is within the reach of every one. Jan 12-DSW&W

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